



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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1445 ROSS AVENUE, SUITE 1200  
DALLAS, TX 75202-2733

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**Via Federal Express**

The Dow Chemical Company  
2301 N. Brazosport Blvd.  
Freeport, Texas 77541

Re: Request for Information Pursuant to Section 104(e)(2) of  
CERCLA (42U.S.C. Sec. 9604(e)(2))  
Gulfco Marine Maintenance, Inc.  
City of Freeport, Brazoria County, Texas

Dear Sir or Madam:

The purpose of this letter is to solicit information from you relating to the Gulfco Marine Maintenance Site (Gulfco), located at 906 Marlin Ave., City of Freeport, Brazoria County, Texas (hereinafter the "Site"). The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has located your name in records pertaining to this Site and believes you may have information relating to the Site. In accordance with Section 104(e)(2) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e)(2), EPA has authority to request information of this nature. This letter seeks your cooperation in providing information and documents relating to the contamination of the Site.

**This information request is not a determination that you are responsible or potentially responsible for contamination that occurred at the Site.** The EPA is sending you this letter as part of its investigation of the circumstances related to the Site and does not expect you to pay for or perform any site-related activities at this time. Should EPA determine that you are responsible or potentially responsible for response activity at the Site, you will receive a separate letter clearly stating such a determination as well as the basis EPA has for making such a determination.

The information EPA is seeking concerns operations and other activities at the Site, as well as information relating to the generation, storage, treatment, transportation, and disposal methods of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants that were released at the Site. In addition, EPA seeks to identify parties, activities, and materials that contributed to contamination at the Site.

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